

PRINTERS PREPARING FOR ANNUAL ELECTION

Interest in Columbia Union's Choice of Officers.

CANDIDATES IN THE FIELD

Three Members of the Craft Mentioned for the Presidency of No. 101—Numerous Aspirants for the Honor of Serving as Delegates to the I. T. U.

A very interesting period is drawing near in Columbia Union No. 101 politics—the election of a president and vice president. There is always the greatest interest demonstrated in the election of the first-named officer long before the actual time of balloting. Even at this early period the printers of Washington are talking scarcely anything else. There very probably will only be two candidates for this highest local union honor and distinction. Those referred to are Mr. Shelby Smith, of Minnesota, and Mr. Joseph Johnson, of California, though the name of Zach Jenkins has also been mentioned.

Mr. Smith became a member of Minneapolis (Minn.) Union in 1882, and afterward served various unions in the West in different capacities. He came to Washington in 1891, receiving an appointment in the Government Printing Office. In 1892 Columbia Union elected him a delegate to a special national convention which met in Cincinnati, Ohio. Mr. Smith also served as chairman of a delegation sent to Colorado Springs in 1896. He was responsible more than any other delegate to that convention for the enactment of the present system of electing International Typographical Union officers by referendum vote. Mr. Smith has been an active and conscientious union man and worker ever since he took up his residence in this city, and has made many warm friends and many active opponents. Mr. Smith is a powerful character, with keen words and a keen mind. His eloquence and arguments have won for him many contests in the floor of the union, while his powerful character has won him the respect of his opponents to rout and hate.

Mr. Johnson is a citizen of California; has been employed in the Government Printing Office a little more than three years; was chairman of the local grievance committee one year, and is now one of the union's officers. He is a native of Jennings, Mo. Mr. Johnson won fame by a single speech. He electrified his hearers one Sunday in a nomination speech. He became the center of attraction in Columbia Union circles because of his eloquence, phrases, and gestures. Since that time the membership have been trying to pick out an officer who would put Mr. Johnson. He is a very popular man, and extremely modest. However, it is believed Mr. Johnson would make an ideal president of the union, and that he is endorsed by President Lawson, which means a great deal in Columbia Union politics.

Mr. Edgar Merritt, a proofreader in the "Congressional Record" proof room, Government Printing Office, is the only present announced candidate for the office of vice president. Mr. Merritt is a native of Arkansas; is a commercial college graduate; also a graduate of Georgetown University Law School, with degree of LL. B., and from Columbia University, with degree of Master of Laws. Mr. Merritt is one of the most popular young men in Washington, and is a refined, cultured, and highly educated man.

For secretary, William M. Garrett, who has filled the office for several years, is a candidate for re-election and will probably have no opposition. For treasurer, John Berk wants to succeed himself, and will doubtless do so. For doorkeeper, sergeant-at-arms, trustees, and auditors no announcements have yet been made by prospective candidates.

For delegates to the International Typographical Union there are about half a dozen certain candidates, though there are uncorroborated rumors as to others. Those who have been mentioned for the three delegations belonging to the "book and job" branch are: Mr. L. A. Wheeler, George A. Rinehart, J. F. McCormick, E. A. M. Lawson, James T. Higgins, D. W. Fleming, and A. F. Bloomer. Others mentioned as uncorroborated are: Mr. H. Y. Brooke, Dan Chisholm, Charles Peake, Frank Stretten, W. L. Gutelius, and Clint Price.

The situation in regard to the downtown candidates is somewhat uncertain, much depending upon the action of Columbia Union at its meeting next Sunday, with reference to proposed legislation granting one delegation to the offices not under Government control.

TOOK CARBOLIC BY MISTAKE.

A Verdict of Accidental Death Rendered in Neilson Case.

The body of Thomas J. Neilson, twenty-five years of age, a son of Mrs. Mary Neilson, of 523 Eleventh Street northwest, and who died at the Emergency Hospital late last night, was this morning removed from the hospital morgue to the undertaker's. Within an hour after the young man breathed his last in the hospital, Coroner Nevitt had been summoned and after viewing the remains gave a certificate of accidental death. The arrangements for the funeral have not yet been completed. The young man entered a bath room in his home shortly after midnight and was swallowed from a bottle which he thought contained linctus. Instead it was carbolic acid. Upon discovering his mistake Neilson ran out into the hall, crying for help. A call was sent in at once for the Emergency Hospital ambulance and no time was lost in getting him to the hospital. The surgeons' efforts were of no avail. The young man's mouth was horribly burned by the acid.

ATHLETIC CLUB SMOKER.

The Mount Pleasant Organization's Members Entertain.

The Mount Pleasant Athletic Clubhouse was the scene of much activity and enjoyment last night, the occasion being a smoker and housewarming, at which the sixty-odd members of that organization and their friends, packed their cozy Whitney Avenue building. Those present were entertained royally by an exceptionally strong lot of entertainers, the programme including singing, dancing, string music, juggling, boxing, and wrestling.

Of the performers, Mr. Oliver, late of the Sells Brothers' circus, but now in business in this city, came in for applause with his clown-juggling act. His "turn" was closely pressed, in the matter of applause, by that of Joe Grant, the crack wrestler of this city, and Bob Akers, his former instructor, who wrestled a tempestuous exhibition. The three-round boxing bouts of Simmonds-O'Brien and Whelan-Brennan also drew much applause. The programme proved an exceptionally good one, and the committee in charge was congratulated by all present.

Death of Private Cullen.

The War Department is advised of the death of Private Walter H. Cullen, Company C, Seventh Cavalry, at Columbia Barracks, Cuba, March 8 of malignant endocarditis.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

Rain tonight; increasing cloudiness Saturday, probably rain in afternoon or night; fresh north to northwest winds.

TEMPERATURE.
9 a. m. 48
12 noon 53
5:30 p. m. 63

THE SUN AND THE MOON.
Sun rose, 6:08 A.M.; Sun sets, 6:12 P.M.
Moon rises, 4:22 A.M.; Moon sets, 4:22 A.M.

THE TIDE TABLE.
High tide, 5:59 A.M. and 6:23 P.M.
Low tide, 12:24 P.M.

STREET LIGHTING.
Lamps lit today, 6:51 P.M.
Lamps out tomorrow, 5:10 A.M.

AMUSEMENTS.

National—Mary Manning in "Janice Meredith" evening.
Columbia—Johnston De Angella in "A Royal Rogue," evening.
Lafayette—Mme. Sans Gene in "Chase's Polite Vaudeville," afternoon and evening.
Academy—"Dangerous Women," evening.
Kernan's—Rose Hill Company; afternoon and evening.
Empire—Hopkins in "Trans-Oceanic," afternoon and evening.

OVERWHELMED BY LETTERS.

Parents of Missing Rogers Boy Get Results From Chain Scheme.

CHICAGO, March 21.—James C. Rogers and his wife of Evanston, parents of Frank Ely Rogers, who disappeared from home last July, have learned something about their missing son.

Mr. Rogers sent out 40,000 letters in February with the intention of forming a chain, which he hoped would aid him in finding his missing boy.

Answers to these letters are now pouring into the Rogers home by the score every day.

Mr. and Mrs. Rogers are almost worn out in writing replies. The postman carries more letters to the Rogers home than to all other places on his route.

Most of the letters ask for a more minute description of the boy and his aunt, Miss Florence Ely, than is given in the circular letters.

Other enquiries are from cranks, clairvoyants and amateur detectives. Few of them bring any hint of the missing woman and boy.

NEGRO HURT IN RUNAWAY.

Now in a Serious Condition at Freedman's Hospital.

George W. Childs, a negro twenty-two years of age, living at 1503 Erie Street northwest, was badly injured shortly after 7 o'clock this morning by being thrown from his wagon during a runaway on Fourteenth Street, near Kenas Avenue northwest. The man was removed to the Freedman's Hospital, where his condition is regarded as serious.

Childs is employed as a driver for the Berwick Supply Company, whose office is near the corner of Fourteenth and Park Streets northwest. He was driving his team this morning when his horse suddenly took fright and in a few minutes was galloping wildly down the street.

Before Childs could brace himself he was thrown violently from the vehicle. He was picked up and sent to the hospital by citizens.

In the meantime the frightened animal ran into the front steps of 2924 and 2926 Fourteenth Street northwest, damaging them badly. Policeman Lord, of the Eighth precinct, finally stopped the runaway.

Ask for Extension of Time.

The Georgia Rough and Cut Stone Company, of Augusta, has requested the District Commissioners for an extension of time for the completion of the delivery of curb in Washington under contract, until May 1, 1902. Mr. R. D. Stimmis, Superintendent of Property, has recommended that the request be granted, as the additional time can be allowed without prejudice to the interests of the District.

Lighting Company's Request Denied.

The District Commissioners have voted to deny the application of the United States Electric Lighting Company to enlarge the existing lamppole at the corner of Seventeenth Street and Massachusetts Avenue northwest. This action was taken at the instance of Captain Chester Harding, assistant to the Engineer Commissioner, who reported that the proposed enlargement of the lamppole would interfere with the existing basin connections.

Recommend Acceptance of Bid.

Mr. G. B. Hunt, the Computing Engineer, has forwarded to the District Commissioners the proposal of Mr. M. F. Talty, of 306 M Street northeast, to grade the sidewalk space on Baltimore and Trumbull Streets, between First and Second Streets, at the rate of 30 cents a square yard, and has recommended its acceptance.

TWO FINE SPECIMENS

Of Physical Manhood.

No form of athletic exercise demands such perfect physical condition as prize fighting. Every muscle in the body must be fully developed and supple, and the heart, lungs and stomach must act in perfect harmony.

Whether we endorse prize fighting or not, it is nevertheless interesting to know the manner by which men arrive at such physical perfection.

The advantage of the daily use of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets is that they keep people well and ward off sickness and are equally valuable to well persons as to the dyspeptic. Another advantage is that these tablets contain no cathartics, or poisons of any character, but simply digestive ferments which are found in every healthy stomach, and when digestion is imperfect it is because the stomach lacks some of these elements and Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets supply them.

They are no cheap cathartic, but a perfectly safe and efficient digestive, and the demand for them is greater than the sale of all other so-called dyspepsia cures combined. No remedy could possibly reach such a place in public esteem except as a result of positive merit.

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NEWS AND GOSSIP OF OLD GEORGETOWN

Western High School Pupils Give An Entertainment.

THE FUNERAL OF W. E. LAYTON

Obsequies to Be Attended by Members of Potomac Commandery, Knights Templar—Citizens' Association to Hold a Meeting This Afternoon.

A musical entertainment will be given this evening at Carroll Hall by the pupils of the Western High School. It will be for the benefit of the school field and track team. The affair is to be under the management of Arthur J. Karr, Miss Winifred S. Mason, Miss Virginia D. Schaeffer, and Roy C. Heddyover.

The programme will embrace mandolin and guitar trios, vocal and piano solos, violin duets, and recitations. Dancing will conclude the programme.

Arthur J. Karr is the manager of the field and track team. Tonight's entertainment has been under rehearsal for several weeks, and will be one of the best efforts of the school.

Members of Potomac Commandery, No. 3, K. T., will attend the funeral of their late brother, William E. Layton, who died yesterday at the Garfield Hospital. Mr. Layton was a member of Federal Lodge, No. 1; Eureka R. A. Lodge, No. 4; Potomac Commandery, No. 3, and Almas Temple.

The funeral services will be held at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon and the interment will be made at Glenwood Cemetery. Mr. Layton was employed for several years in the superintendent's division of the State, War, and Navy Department.

The funeral of Rev. Father Edward V. Boursand, formerly professor of languages at Georgetown University, who died Wednesday morning in Frederick, Md., took place this morning. Mass was celebrated at the Catholic Novitiate, Father O'Rourke officiating. The interment took place in the Jesuit burying ground in Frederick.

The Sir Knights of Potomac Commandery, No. 3, K. T., will attend the religious services at the Dumbarton Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church Sunday evening. Rev. Frank H. Havenner, pastor of the church, will conduct the services and address the knights.

A special meeting of the Georgetown Citizens' Association will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock at Co-operative Hall, 1325 Third Street South, for the purpose of appointing committees.

"The Boys" held a social meeting last night at their clubhouse on Wisconsin Avenue. An entertainment, consisting of musical and literary selections, was rendered.

The annual election of officers of Potomac Lodge, No. 5, S. E. take place on the evening of April 2, at Masonic Hall.

The Good Templar Lodge of Tenleytown held a social meeting last night at its hall on the Belt Road. A programme of musical and literary numbers was rendered. A banquet closed the evening's enjoyment.

At the regular weekly prayer meeting, held last night at the West Street Presbyterian Church, the pastor, Rev. W. C. Alexander, delivered a sermon. His subject was "A Patient Endurance."

THE JUVENILE COURT.

Hereafter It Will Be in Session Three Times a Week.

Judges Kimball and Scott determined today to make a new arrangement for holding the juvenile court. Heretofore sessions for the trial of boys and girls under seventeen years of age have been held daily. This has given the probationary officer but little time to enquire into cases of accused youngsters.

Hereafter in order to obviate this, sessions of the court will be held three times a week, Monday, Thursday, and Saturday. The new plan will go into operation next week.

Ill Negro Taken to Hospital.

Eugene Hawkins, colored, was taken suddenly ill near Dupont Circle early this morning, and was removed to the Emergency Hospital in the third precinct patrol wagon. Hawkins is thirty-seven years of age and lives at 1742 Temperance Avenue northwest.

Had No Medical Attention.

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